

### IN THE SPECIFICATION

With reference to the enclosed red-lined version of the specification, the specification has been amended as follows:

At page 2, lines 4-5 and 10-11, the specification has been amended to delete the botanical name "*Dendranthema grandiflora*" and insert --*Chrysanthemum morifolium*--.

At page 2, lines 12, the specification has been amended by inserting a comma following the term "20668-1".

At page 2, line 14, the specification has been amended to delete the terms "PO10 7XQ".

At page 2, line 15, the specification has been amended to delete the term "P452C7" and insert the term --'P452C7'-- having single quotations.

At page 2, line 16-17, the specification has been amended to delete the term "20038-0" and insert the term --'20038-0'-- having single quotations.

At page 2, line 23, the specification has been amended by inserting the word --Female-- preceding the word "Parent". At page 2, line 25, the specification has been amended by inserting the word --female-- preceding the word "parent".

At page 2, line 25, and at page 3, lines 2 and 4, the specification has been amended by deleting the word "cultivar".

At page 3, line 5, the specification has been amended by deleting the word "flowers", second occurrence.

At page 3, lines 7-8, the specification has been amended by deleting the phrase "cultivar 'Nirvana Improved'" following the word "parent" and inserting the term --'P452C7'--.

At page 3, lines 9-18, the specification has been amended by inserting the following comparison section:

--Comparison with Male Parent

Plants of the new Chrysanthemum variety 'Nirvana improved' are dissimilar to the male parent '20038-0' in plant habitat and growth rate. In side-by-side comparisons in Chichester, West Sussex, United Kingdom, under commercial practice, plants of the new Chrysanthemum variety 'Nirvana Improved' differed from plants of the parent '20038-0' in the following characteristics.

1. The new variety 'Nirvana Improved' produces yellow and red single flowers whereas the parent '20038-0' produces red single flowers.
2. Plants of the new variety 'Nirvana Improved' have larger and taller inflorescence than plants of the parent '20038-0'.--

At page 3, lines 21, 25 and 28, and page 4, line 2, the specification has been amended to delete the phrase "the cultivar."

At page 3, line 21-22, the specification has been amended to delete the phrase "Ser. No. 09/957493" and insert the phrase --Publication No. US 2003/0056261-- following the word "Application."

At page 4, line 16, the word spacing has been corrected after the period following the term "conditions". At page 4, line 27, a period has been added at the end of the sentence following the term "28°C".

At page 5, line 10, the specification has been amended to delete the term "12" and insert the term --16--.

At page 5, lines 11-12, the specification has been amended to add the following lines:

--Diameter of Lateral Branches: 0.7 cm

Texture of Lateral Branches: slightly pubescent--.

At page 5, lines 14-15, the specification has been amended to insert the following two lines:

--Stem Length: 5.5 cm

Stem Diameter: 0.6 cm--.

At page 5, line 17, the specification has been amended to insert the following line:

--Stem Texture: Slightly pubescent--.

At page 5, line 22, the specification has been be corrected by deleting the term "litre" and inserting --liter--.

At page 6, lines 15-17, the specification has been amended to correct the word spacing and to insert the following two lines:

--*Diameter*: 0.2 cm

*Texture*: Slightly pubescent--.

Beginning at page 7, line 1, each instance of single line spacing has been corrected.

At page 7, line 8, the specification has been amended to insert the following line:

--Typical flowering season: January – December--.

At page 7, line 12, the specification has been amended by deleting the term "Sepals" and inserting --Phyllaries--.

The line spacing has been corrected at page 7, line 18.

At page 7, line 21, the specification has been be corrected by deleting the term "10" and inserting --12--.

At page 7, line 23, the specification has been amended to add the following line:

--*Diameter*: 0.7 cm--.

At page 7, line 26, the specification has been amended to delete the word "Medium" and insert the phrase --Moderately strong--.

At page 7, line 29, the specification has been amended to add the following line:

--*Diameter*: 0.3 cm--.

At page 8, line 3, the specification has been amended to delete the word "Medium" and insert the phrase --Moderately strong--.

At page 8, line 4, the specification has been amended to delete the word "Florets" and insert the word --florets--.

At page 8, lines 5-6, the specification has been amended to insert the phrase --with parallel edges to the central mid-vein and a rounded tip--following the word "Straight"..

At page 8, line 7, the specification has been amended to insert a colon following the words "Texture/Appearance".

At page 8, line 26-27, the specification has been amended to delete the phrase "Near 16B and 44B" and insert the phrase --Near 44B from base to center and 16B from center to apex--.

At page 9, lines 1-2, the specification has been amended to delete the phrase "Near 16C and 44B" and insert the phrase --Near 44B from base to center and 16C from center to apex--.

At page 9, lines 3-4, the specification has been amended to delete the phrase "Near 16C and 44C" and insert the phrase --Near 44C from base to center and 16C from center to apex--.

At page 9, lines 6-7, the specification has been amended to delete the phrase "Near 16C and 44B" and insert the phrase --Near 44B from base to center and 16C from center to apex--.

At page 9, lines 8-9, the specification has been amended to delete the phrase "Near 16D and 44B" and insert the phrase --Near 44B from base to center and 16D from center to apex--.

At page 9, lines 10-11, the specification has been amended to delete the phrase "Near 16D and 44B" and insert the phrase --Near 44B from base to center and 16D from center to apex--.

At page 9, line 20, the specification has been amended to insert --Lastingness of blooms: about 24 days--.

The line spacing has been corrected at page 9, lines 21-22.

At page 9, line 24, the specification has been amended to insert the following line: --Gynoecium present on Ray and Disc florets.--.

At page 9, line 25, the specification has been amended to delete the word "Florets" and insert the phrase --florets per individual flower-- after the word "Ray". The specification has been further amended at line 25 by deleting the word "Pistillate."

At page 10, line 5, the specification has been amended to delete the word "Florets" and insert the phrase --florets per individual flower-- after the word "Disc". The specification has been further amended at line 5 by deleting the word "Pistillate."

The line spacing has been corrected at page 10, lines 12.

At page 10, line 13, the specification has been amended to delete the phrase "Staminate: none observed to date."

At page 10, line 14, the specification has been amended insert the line: --Androećium  
not observed.--

The Abstract has been amended in the third line to delete the word "vigour" and insert  
--vigor--.